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tention of some astronomical reader, so as to examine, whether the appearance of either of the comets thus recorded coincides with any of the periods calculated as to the revolutions of those bodies.

An extraordinary *Aurora Borealis* is noticed in the same Chronicles, as having happened in the years 710, 1030, and 1114*.

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IV. QUESTIONS ON THE WELSH LAWS †.

1. WAS the size of the Welsh acre the same, or greater or less, than the English?

2. Is there any reason to suppose, that the division, contained in the Laws of Howel, of *Cantrevs*, *Commots*, *Manors*, &c, extended all over England before the Saxons took it from them?

3. Does the term *Arghwydd* mean the Lord of the Land, or the *Natu Maximus*, who had the *dominium rectum*, in opposition to the *Filius Natu Minimus*, who held the *usufruct*, but was not the feudal proprietor?—See Howel by Wotton, l. ii. p. 143. § 8. and l. iv. p. 318.

4. What was the title of these *Natu Maximi*: had they any powers peculiar to themselves: did they sit like our House of Lords, which are the eldest of the families?

5. What was the power of the *Pencenedl*?

6. In Howel every *Cantrev* contained 100 *villæ* or 10 tythings in English.—See Howel, 157. Is it not probable, that the Welsh Hundred, or *Cantrev*, was the foundation of our Hundreds, and perhaps the countries of the old Welsh Principalities or Kingdoms,—the Welsh taking duodecimal divisions of Manors in the Hundreds, and the English the decimal of Tythings, but both regarding the *villa*, which, in Saxon, was occasionally called a Hyde?

7. Is there supposed to be extant any account of the coronation of Arthur, or any British kings subsequent to the time of Constantine the Great?

* Ib. pp. 391. 506. 548.

† We are solicited by a correspondent to give insertion to these Questions, in the hope that some of our readers may be able to supply the necessary information.—ED.